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Sir:

**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

This **Response to Office Action** is filed in response to the Office Action mailed September 14, 2004, rejecting claims 1-18. The cited references are U.S. Patents Nos. 3,063,470 to Forster ("Forster") and 3,744,527 to Mercier ("Mercier"). The following amendments and remarks remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are described beginning on page 6 of this paper, and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is included following page 8 of this paper.